FC56. Scrutiny Plan 2020

Council considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Housing Services which proposed a Scrutiny Plan for 2020 for approval.

The Scrutiny Committee developed its proposed Plan by requesting reports on areas which it considered may be capable of a 'deep dive' review by a scrutiny panel. The Committee had previously indicated to Council that it was minded to review the Council's arrangements for Pupil Equity Funding and the outcomes of the Funding in regard to closing the attainment gap.

The Committee recommended that the Scrutiny Plan for 2020 consisted of two reviews. This recognised the commitment required by members and officers to run an effective Scrutiny Panel.

The second slot in the plan was vacant with no recommendation being made to Council by the Committee. The Committee would consider reports on the following areas during the first half of 2020 and make a recommendation to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2020:-

- Council of the Future arrangements what are the governance arrangements, and what is the role and effectiveness of the Board?
- Community Empowerment and Community involvement in the delivery of services – what support and guidance is offered to community groups re CE (for example in regard to CAT of community halls)? What work is being completed in regard to the coproduction of services?
- Community Learning and Development (CLD) review its establishment/comparison with previous establishment: functions – what does it do, why does it do it and how has this changed over the course of recent redesigns? (e.g. loss of detached youth workers)
- Bullying and racism policies in schools implementation and management thereof.

Decision

Council agreed that the Scrutiny Plan for 2020 would contain two areas for review – Pupil Equity Funding and a second area which would be recommended to the Council by the Scrutiny Committee on 24 June 2020.